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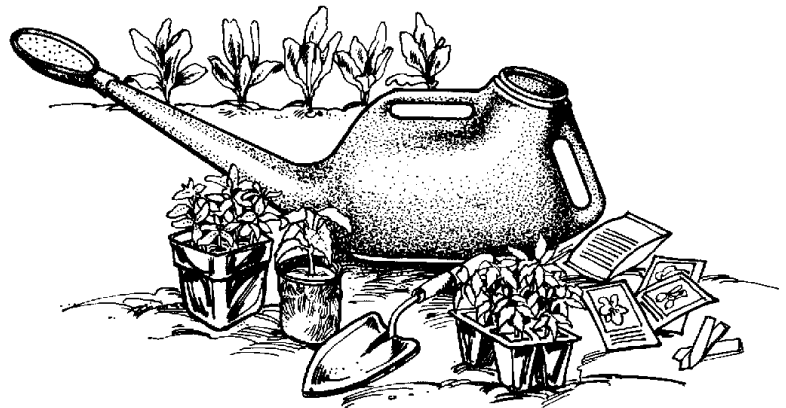
Local Resources

Doing anything new often generates a lot of questions. Well, there are many people, publications and web sites devoted to landscaping with native plants that you can access with your concerns. This information sheet is by no means an exhaustive list, but it should get you started in learning more about the process of naturalizing your yard and creating beautiful native gardens.

(Note: This list was compiled in May, 2002 and is just a starting place. The number of nurseries and consultants providing native plants and related services continues to grow. Springfield Township does not necessarily endorse or recommend these businesses over others. Be sure to visit your local nursery to see if it has joined the

growing number of nurseries that grow or supply native plants. More local landscape contractors and consultants are also begin-

ning to incorporate native plants into their designs.)



Before You Buy

Before you buy native plants, make sure that the grower or dealer is reputable. Never buy wild-collected plants; thoughtless or unethical collectors can (and have) devastated wild plant communities. Also beware of the term "nursery grown," which may simply refer to a plant which was illegally collected in the wild, potted up, and grown for a season at the nursery. Buy only plants which were propagated at the nursery from legally collected seeds, divisions or cuttings.

Nurseries With Native Michigan Genotypes

The following nurseries grow plants which are not only native to Michigan, but also originated from wild populations *in* Michigan. A native plant with an extensive range can show great genetic variation; a witchhazel from Georgia, for instance, could be significantly different, genetically, from a witchhazel in Michigan. Plants which are genetically native to Michigan may be hardier and better able to tolerate local insect and disease problems than their southern or eastern counterparts. In addition to supplying landscaping material, many

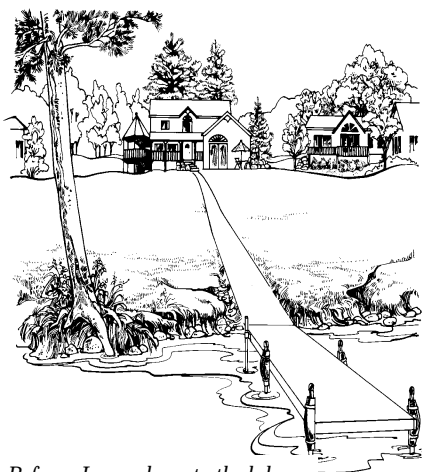
Michigan Wildflower Farm

Esther & Bill Durnwald
11770 Cutler Rd.
Portland, MI 48875
E-mail: wildflowers@voyager.net
www.michiganwildflowerfarm.com
Phone: 517-647-6010
Fax: 517-647-6072
*Native wildflower & grass seed
Consulting, installation, maintenance*

Nesta Prairie Perennials

Stephen Keto
1019 Miller Rd.
Kalamazoo, MI 49001
Phone: 800-233-5025 or 616-343-1669
Fax: 616-343-0768
*Native perennials: prairie, savannah,
wetland*

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Before...Lawn down to the lake-shore can cause erosion, property loss, and poor lake water quality (not to mention unwanted visitors like Canada Geese!)

"Native flowers, grasses and ferns can match the finest cultivated perennials in beauty and surpass them in ruggedness and resistance to insects and diseases."

-Jim Wilson



After...Native lakeside vegetation protects shorelines and lake water quality. Tall vegetation also discourages Canada Geese.

Nurseries With Native Michigan Genotypes

The Native Plant Nursery
Greg Vaclavek & Mike Appel
PO Box 7841
Ann Arbor, MI 48107
E-mail: plants@nativeplant.com
www.nativeplant.com
Phone: 734-677-3260
Native perennial plants
Design, consulting, restoration

Sand Hill Farm
Cheryl Tolley
11250 Ten Mile Rd, NE
Rockford, MI 49341
E-mail: cherylt@iserv.net
Phone: 616-691-8214
Fax: 616-691-7872
Native plants, plugs & seeds
Consulting, installation, maintenance

Wetlands Nursery, Inc.
Jewel Richardson
PO Box 14553
Saginaw, MI 48601
E-mail: JewelR@aol.com
Phone: 989-752-3492
Fax: 989-752-3096
Native wetland plants & seeds
Consulting & installation

Wildtype Native Plants
Bill Schneider
900 N. Every Rd.
Mason, MI 48854
Email: wildtype@msu.edu
www.wildtypeplants.com
Phone: 517-244-1140
Fax: 517-244-1142
Native trees, shrubs, grasses & wildflowers
Design, consulting, restoration

Nurseries With Native Plants (Local or Non-Local Genotypes)

The following nurseries also offer native plants, which may or may not be local genotypes. If it is important to you to have local genotypes, be sure to check with the supplier:

Arrowhead Alpines
Bob & Brigitta Stewart
PO Box 857
Fowlerville, MI 48836
Phone: 517-223-3581
Fax: 517-223-8750
Perennial plants & shrubs; some native

Bordine Nursery
8600 Dixie Highway
Clarkston, MI 48348-4236
Phone: 248-625-9100
Fax: 248-625-9109
Trees, shrubs, perennials; some native

Grass Roots, Inc.
Tom Smith
PO Box 4001
East Lansing, MI 48826
E-mail: grassroots@voyager.net
Phone: 517-337-2405
Fax: 517-337-2430
Native perennials & grasses
Design, construction, management

Hortech, Inc.
PO Box 533
Spring Lake, MI 49456-0533
Phone: 616-842-1392
Fax: 616-842-3273
Vines, ferns, groundcovers, grasses
Wholesale only

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Nurseries With Native Plants (Local or Non-Local Genotypes) (Cont.)

Michigan Habitat Design, Inc.

Jeff Ryan
2935 Flint
Ortonville, MI 48462
Phone/Fax: 248-627-8733
*Design, consulting, installation
Nursery materials, retail sales*

Prairie Nursery

PO Box 306
Westfield, WI 53964
Web: www.prairienursery.com
mail: cs@prairienursery.com
Phone: 800-476-9453
Fax: 608-296-2741
*Native perennials & grasses.
Informative catalogue*

Oikos Tree Crops

PO Box 19425
Kalamazoo, MI 49019-0425
E-mail: oak24@aol.com
Phone: 616-624-6233
Fax: 616-624-4019
Trees, shrubs, perennials; some native



Consulting, Installation and Other Services

The following businesses offer design, consulting and/or installation services for native plant landscapes:

David Borneman

1123 Mixtwood
Ann Arbor, MI 48103
E-mail: davidborneman@yahoo.com
Phone: 734-994-3475
Mobile: 734-645-8476
Ecological consulting, burning services

Heritage Farm

Amy Murry
600 South Hurd Road
Oxford, MI 48371
E-mail: prairiesmoke@earthlink.net
www.home.earthlink.net/~prairiesmoke
Phone: 248-969-9200
Design, consulting, installation

Earth Art Landscape Design

Virginia Chatfield
3319 Eloc Drive
Swartz Creek, MI 48473
E-mail: vchatfield@comcast.net
Phone: 810-655-6580
Design, consulting, installation

Plantwise Native Landscapes

David Mindell
224 Charles Street
Ann Arbor, MI 48103
E-mail: plantwise@aol.com
Phone: 734-665-7168
Restoration, design, consulting, installation

Ecotthink

Maryann Whitman
2271 Rochester Road
Oakland, MI 48363
E-mail: ecotthink@comcast.net
Phone: 248-652-4004
Design, consulting

Wild Thymes

Carolyn Wood
8070 Perry Lake Road
Clarkston, MI 48348
Phone: 248-625-7240
Consulting, design, installation

Check Out the Web

Other businesses in the Midwest and on the East Coast sell many of the plant species native to Springfield Township, though not necessarily genotypes from south-east Michigan. The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency's website is one of several sites that provides a listing of such businesses: www.epa.gov/greenacres/